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important change, causing 40 deaths. Acute diseases of the respiratory organs were of more frequent occurrence and claimed 94 victims, considerably more than in the Christmas week. Influenza, which in the two previous weeks together claimed 26 victims, caused 24 deaths in this week alone. Pulmonary consumption caused 78 deaths. Cases of measles were more frequent and scarlet fever less frequent than in the foregoing week, the former causing 12, the latter 8 deaths. A slight increase was observable in the number of cases of diphtheria, but only 3 cases had a fatal termination. Finally, 8 persons died by violence.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

HAWAII.

A case of smallpox at Honolulu.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cofer reports the finding of a case of smallpox January 9 among Porto Ricans at Honolulu. Allowing for the usual invasion and incubation period, the case shows a probable connection with that found on January 21 on the U. S. S. *Solace*. The case and the suspects have been quarantined by the board of health and the usual disinfection performed.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

ITALY.

Report from Naples—Inspection of vessels—Plague and cholera in various countries.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Eager reports, January 8 and January 14, as follows: For the week ended January 3, 1903, the following ships were inspected at Naples: December 28, the steamship *Trojan Prince*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 367 steerage passengers and 73 pieces of large baggage; 450 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 44 steerage passengers was advised. December 29, the steamship *New England*, bound with passengers and cargo for Boston. There were inspected and passed 556 steerage passengers and 142 pieces of large baggage; 700 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 33 steerage passengers was advised. December 30, the steamship *Calabria*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 497 steerage passengers and 103 pieces of large baggage; 550 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 40 steerage passengers was advised. Steamship *Citta di Palermo*, bound with cargo for New Orleans.

Inspections at Palermo.

At Palermo for the week ended January 3, 1903, the following ships were inspected: December 29, the steamship *Trojan Prince*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 381 steerage passengers; 425 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 73 steerage passengers was advised. December 31, the steamship *Calabria*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 220 steerage passengers; 300 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 35 steerage passengers was advised.